## CITY OF MESA HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (HRAB) Ad Hoc Disabilities Action Team (DAT)

September 16, 2014 Action Results

The Disabilities Action Team of the City of Mesa met on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014, at 6:00pm at the Mesa City Plaza, 20 E. Main St. Ste. 170.

MEMBERS PRESENT
Karen Frias-Long
Denise Heap
Lu Ann Schmidt
Mark Tompert

MEMBERS ABSENT Cheryl Anderson, Chair STAFF PRESENT Andrea Alicoate Ruth Giese **GUESTS** 

1. Call to Order.

Mr. Tompert called the meeting to order at 5:58pm.

2. Items from citizens present.

There were no citizens who requested to speak to DAT.

3. Approval of minutes from the April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 DAT meeting.

Ms. Heap made a motion to approve the April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 DAT meeting minutes, Ms. Schmidt seconded the motion. The motion moved unanimously.

4. Hear update, discuss and take action on an educational awareness campaign related to service animals and ADA regulations for businesses.

Discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

5. Hear, discuss and take action on planning for town hall meetings to educate the community, business, and leadership on mental health and substance abuse issues.

Discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

6. Hear and discuss ways to evaluate the adequacy of services and programs for people with disabilities and the implementation of ADA.

Discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

7. Hear and discuss the need for and feasibility of creating a Psychiatric Recovery Center in the East Valley.

Discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

8. Hear and discuss ways to address the needs of the disabled community.

Discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

- 9. Scheduling of meetings, future agenda items, and general information.
  - Next DAT meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014 at 6:00pm.
  - Future Agenda Items:

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- Monitor transportation services for people with disabilities including reviewing a quarterly report and annual report on East Valley Dial-A-Ride.
- Monitor the Mesa City Court protocol for diverting defendants who have mental health issues, veterans, and/or are homeless.
- Explore and assess the issue of housing for people with disabilities.

## 10. Adjournment.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Submitted By:

Ruth Giese,

Diversity Program Administrator